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In re Patent Application of: Jukka T. SALONEN et al.

Application No.: 10/538,198

Filed: January 6, 2006 Art Unit: 1634

For: METHOD AND KIT FOR DETECTING A

RISK FOR DIABETES OR A METABOLIC

**SYNDROME** 

Examiner: K. D. Salmon

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### **LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

After review of the Examiner's Restriction Requirement issued January 15, 2008, Applicants' note that the USPTO has erroneously entered as the Specification and claims for the present application the specification and claims from Applicants' previous PCT application PCT/FI2002/00113.

The current application was filed as the National Stage application of International Application No. PCT/FI2003/000946, which has the international filing date of December 11, 2003, as can be seen by the attached New Application Transmittal and Application Data Sheet submitted for the current application on June 9, 2005.

Applicants note that the Specification and claims listed in the PAIR Image File Wrapper for the above-identified application are actually from PCT/FI2002/00113. This is a <u>previous</u> PCT

application of the Applicants, published as WO 02/066617 that was submitted with an Information Disclosure Statement on June 9, 2005 and filed as prior art related to the present invention. As such, Applicants believe that the USPTO erroneously entered the Specification and claims from PCT/FI2002/00113 as the present application instead of those of the correct PCT/FI2003/000946 application.

## Applicants respectfully request that:

- 1) the Examiner <u>PROMPTLY</u> withdraw and vacate the Restriction Requirement mailed January 15, 2008 in the present application,
- 2) enter as the proper specification and claims for this application those of International Application number is PCT/FI2003/000946, published as WO 2004/053158, filed June 9, 2005,
- 3) review the claims of the proper application, and
- 4) issue an appropriate Office Action.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell Reg. No. 36,623 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated: March 7, 2008

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## **Application Data Sheet**

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#### ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES 0933-0247PUS1 DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/FI2003/000946 11 December 2003 11 December 2002 TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD AND KIT FOR DETECTING A RISK FOR DIABETES OR A METABOLIC SYNDROME APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Jukka T. SALONEN; Mia PIRSKANEN; Tomi-Pekka TUOMAINEN; Faisel YUNUS Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) x is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). a. is attached hereto. b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). х Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. have been communicated by the International Bureau. C. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. x have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: х An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13 A preliminary amendment. 14. X An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15 A substitute specification. 16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 18. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. Other items or information: PCT/IB/304; PCT/ISA/210; PCT/IPEA/409; Sequence Listing (10 Sheets); 20. х Zero (0) Sheets of Formal Drawings

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### LETTER

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The PTO is requested to use the amended sheets/claims attached hereto (which correspond to Article 19 amendments or to claims attached to the International Preliminary Examination Report (Article 34)) during prosecution of the above-identified national phase PCT application.

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